

PPOVA Updates July 2008



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Thank you for subscribing to "PPOVA Updates," a service that provides updates about opportunities posted on Virginia's FREE healthcare recruitment website, [Primary Practice Opportunities of Virginia](#).

New Opportunities Posted in June

For a detailed description, visit PPOVA and [search by specialty or location](#).

Position Number	Location	Date Posted
FP1252	Pearisburg	6/4/08
FP1253	Bridgewater	6/4/08
FP1251	Brentwood	6/11/08
FP1254	Kilmarnock	6/16/08

Positions Filled in June

Position Number	Location
FP1159	Roanoke

Upcoming Events

July 14-17

[NRHA's Quality & Clinical Conference](#)

San Diego, CA

August 4-5

[Cervical Cancer Conference](#)

Durham, NC

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Recruitment and Retention Collaborative Team Updates

Virginia SEARCH

Virginia SEARCH held a meeting of their Network Partners last month in Danville. Among the work items were revisions to the student application, a review of the distribution of rotations over the past four years and initial preparation for a new contract application. Professional students in medicine, dentistry, advanced practice nursing and most mental health disciplines who are interested in primary care and underserved communities are encouraged to apply for community based clinical rotations beginning in 2009. Applications and more information are at the website www.vasearch.org.

Virginia's State Rural Health Plan (VA-SRHP) Website Launched

The Office of Minority Health and Public Health Policy (OMHPHP) and the Virginia Rural Health Association (VRHA) recently launched Virginia's State Rural Health Plan website: www.va-srhp.org. The website provides the following information:

- Recommendations and actions items for Planning Years 1-3

- Detailed information on the four official Rural Health Councils (Access, Workforce, Quality and Data), formerly workgroups
- Description of the VA-SRHP development and planning process
- Details on upcoming and past rural health meetings

The website's launch was a major milestone in the implementation of various action items. The OMHPHP, VRHA and numerous rural health partners will be working fervently over the next several months to advance the remaining Year 1 action items. Updates to the website are ongoing.

Carilion Clinic Family Medicine Residency Awarded for Improving Quality

Carilion Clinic Family Medicine Residency in Roanoke, VA was awarded third place for its recent "Improving Quality" poster presentation at the National Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors meeting held in Overland Park, Kansas on June 10, 2008.

Their topic was "Pneumococcal Immunization in Patient over 65 years old: Improving from 23 to 87.7% in a medical residency."

The program recently graduated 11 family medicine residents. Four will be staying in Virginia this year.

Rappahannock Area Health Education Center Changes Its Name

The Board of Directors of the Rappahannock Area Health Education Center (RAHEC) is pleased to announce that they will be doing business as the Rappahannock Rural Health Development Center (the Center) to more fully reflect their continuing commitment to serve the needs of the region by working to expand health services, facilities and resources.

You may continue to reach the Center at 804-333-3733, 5559 Richmond Road, P.O. Box 218, Warsaw, VA 22572. The website and email addresses will not change immediately. We will notify you when changes occur.

2008 Loan Repayment Awards

The Office of Minority Health and Public Health Policy received 32 applications and awarded over \$900,000 to 22 practitioners who are serving at Virginia's community health centers, a rural health clinic and a critical access hospital.

